



POOR PRISONERS DEFENCE ORDINANCE, No. 37 OF 1926.

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the sixteenth day of November, One thousand
nine hundred and twenty-six.

GOVERNMENT OF PALESTINE.

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An Ordinance to make provision
for the Defence of Poor Prisoners.

BE IT ENACTED by the High Commissioner for Palestine,
with the advice of the Advisory Council thereof:-

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Poor Prisoners Defence Ordinance, 1926, and shall come into operation on the 16th day of November 1926. Short title and commencement.

2. In this Ordinance "Prisoner" includes a person committed for trial on bail. Definition.

3. Where a prisoner is charged with an offence triable on information by a Court of Criminal Assize and it appears to be desirable in the interests of justice that he should have legal aid in the preparation and conduct of his defence but his means are insufficient to enable him to obtain such aid, the President of the Court by which the prisoner is to be tried may certify that the prisoner ought to have such legal aid, and thereupon the said prisoner shall be entitled to have an advocate assigned to him subject to the provisions of this Ordinance. Legal aid to poor prisoner where desirable in interests of justice.

4. The expenses of the defence including the fee of the advocate and the expenses of any witnesses shall be allowed and paid out of the general revenue of Palestine, subject to any regulations as to rates or scales of payment or otherwise made under this Ordinance. Payment of expenses.

5. The Chief Justice may, with the approval of the High Commissioner, from time to time make and when made rescind, vary and add to regulations for carrying this Ordinance into effect. Regulations.

16th November, 1926.

PLUMER, F. M.
High Commissioner.